

IRAQ-AFGHANISTAN

Thanking our North Dakota Soldiers



John Hoeven
Governor of North Dakota
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Kuwait



Up-Armor Facility in Kuwait



Up-Armor Facility Humvee



Up-Armor Facility Trucks



North Dakota Soldiers Todd Anderson (Navy-Crosby); Eric Swanson (Army-Grand Forks)

Iraq



Overlooking Iraq's largest mosque



Iraqi Vice President Tariq al-Hashimi with a North Dakota license plate



**Husky at Balad, with Sgt. Guy Stevens, Burlington,
ND, with the 164th**



Husky, with Sgt. Stevens



**Buffalo, with Sgt. Chris Clemons
of the 164th , Minot**



Soldiers of A Co., 164th Eng. Battalion, describe types of IEDs to Gov.



**Sgt. Chris Clemons, Sgt. Guy Stevens, and
Spc. Jesse Wolfe of the 164th**



Lunch with members of the 164th and 119th at Camp Anaconda in Balad, Iraq



Gov. presents North Dakota flag to the 164th at Camp Anaconda, Balad, Iraq



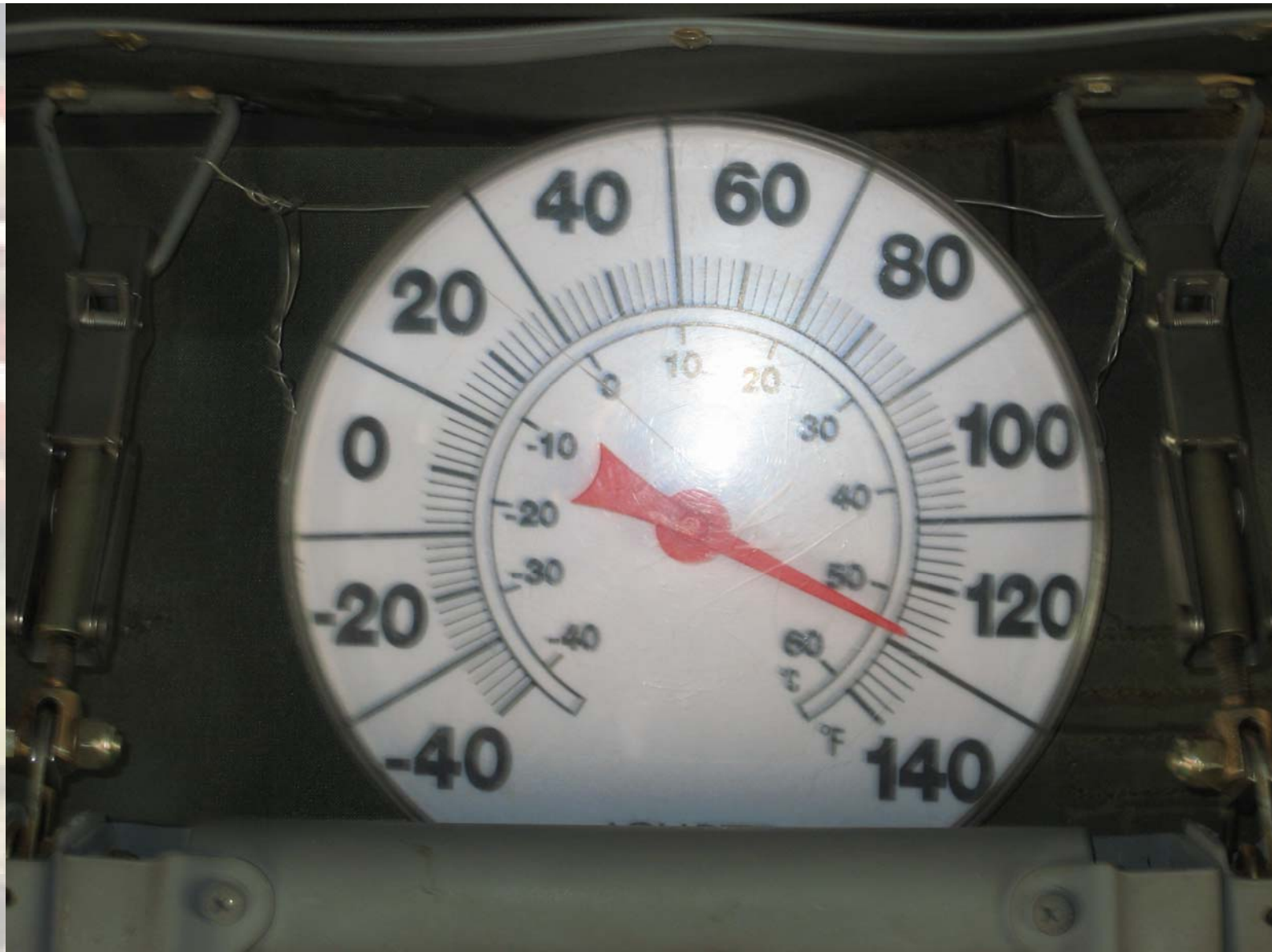
**Gov. presents North Dakota flag to the 119th, Camp
Anaconda, Balad, Iraq**



**Gov. presents U.S. Air Force troops with “LUV ND”
license plate after Predator UAV briefing in Balad,
Iraq**



Secretary of State liaison – fresh



129° Fahrenheit !!!!



Secretary of State liaison – later in the week

Afghanistan



Tora Bora mountains, southeast of Kabul



**View from the American Embassy in Kabul,
Afghanistan**



**Gen. Karl Eikenberry, Combined Force Commander
of Afghanistan**



Thumbs up for American soldiers



Arrival at Bagram Air Base, north of Kabul



Major Bryan Langeberg of Wahpeton



**Gov. presents North Dakota flag to the 188th Air
Defense Artillery, Joint Land Attack Elevated
Netted Sensor (JLENS)**



**Gov. presents Col. Gilmore, M.D. with “LUV ND”
license plate, Ramstein, Germany**



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To all of our North Dakota men and women in uniform, thank you for all you are doing to keep America and North Dakota safe.

Your state and your nation are all very proud and grateful.